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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hirotake NOZAKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2612

Application No.: 09/149,001

Examiner: L. T. Nguyen

Filed: September 8, 1998

Docket No.: 101516

For: ELECTRONIC CAMERA

SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT

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In response to the September 9, 2002 Restriction Requirement, and prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 15 and 16 as follows:

15. (New) An electronic camera comprising a controller that:  
evaluates a good or bad shooting state of continuously imaged image data of  
an object, the continuously imaged image data stored in a temporary memory and the  
evaluation based on a spatial frequency component of the continuously imaged image data;  
selects an image data with a highest evaluation among the continuously  
imaged image data; and  
saves the selected image data.--

--16. (New) An electronic camera comprising a controller that:

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